

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
FOR PATENT APPLICATION

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VASCULAR FILTER HAVING ARTICULATION REGION
AND METHODS OF USE IN THE ASCENDING AORTA

the specification of which

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I do not know and do not believe that the invention was ever patented or described in any printed publication in any country before my or our invention thereof or more than one year prior to this application.

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Prior Foreign or Provisional Application(s)

			<u>Priority Claimed</u>
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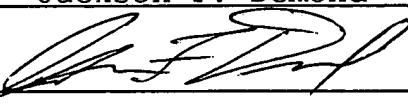
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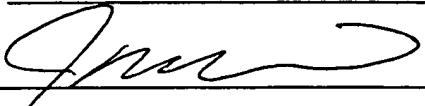
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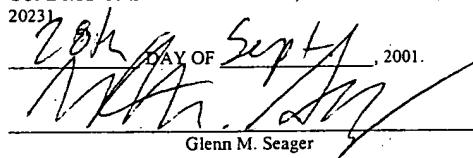
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Dear Sir:

INCEPT LLC, the owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-identified application, hereby revokes all previous powers of attorney and appoints the following attorneys and/or agents to prosecute the above-identified patent or application, including all continuations and divisionals thereof, including, but not limited to U.S. Application Serial No. 09/611,428 and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith: David M. Crompton, Reg. No. 36,772; Glenn M. Seager, Reg. No. 36,926; Brian N. Tufte, Reg. No. 38,638; Robert E. Atkinson, Reg. No. 36,433; J. Scot Wickhem, Reg. No. 41,376; Luke Dohmen, Reg. No. 36,783; Peter J. Gafner, Reg. No. 36,517; Messal, Todd, Reg. No. 42,883; Albert K. Kau, Reg. No. 40,672; Steven a. McAuley, Reg. No. 46,084; James R. Chiapetta, Reg. No. 39,634; Robert M. Rauker, Reg. No. 40,782; William J. Shaw, Reg. No. 43,111; Mark J. Casey, Reg. No. 37,796; and Scott T. Bluni, Reg. No. 40,916.

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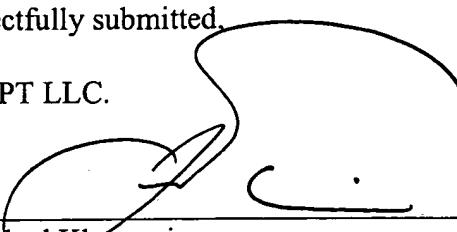
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Respectfully submitted,

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Date: Sept 10, 2001

By:


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